

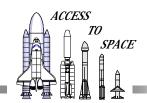
### EXPLORER WORKSHOP March 12, 2002

### LAUNCH SERVICES

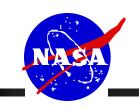
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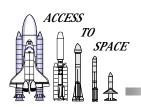




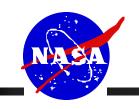
## OVERVIEW OF THE SPACE ACCESS OFFICE



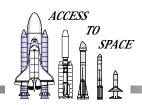
### **Space Access Office**



- The Space Access Office is Responsible for:
  - Identifying and aggregating Agency launch requirements
  - Integrating manifest process for both STS and ELV
  - Assuring access to space on all available launch systems, including the Shuttle, DOD, commercial launch vehicles or foreign vehicles
  - Acquisition and management oversight of the ELV Launch Services Program and the Payload Carriers Program



### **Space Access Office**



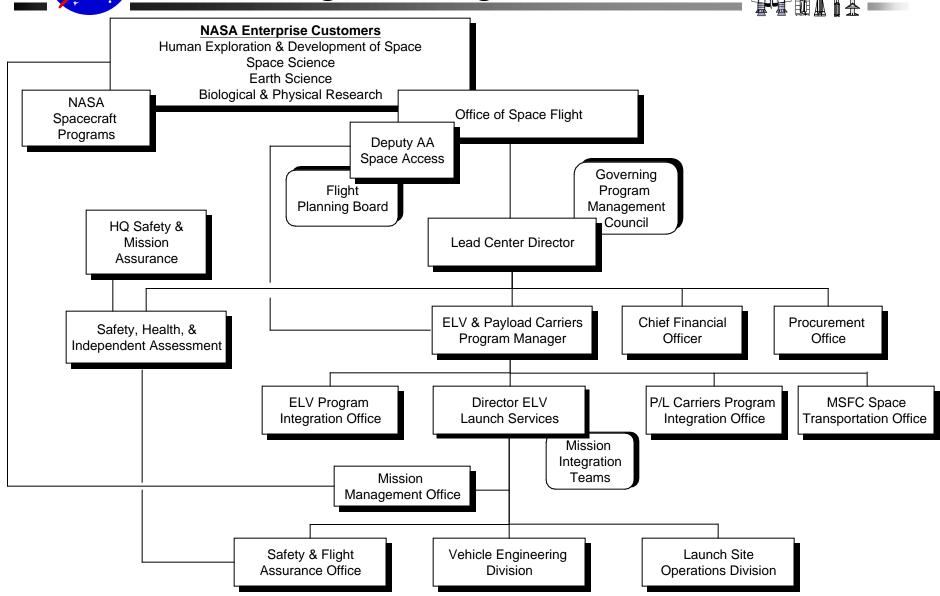
### Space Access Management Approach:

- Provide a Single Interface for Each Enterprise Payload Customer
- Space Access issues and manifest conflicts (STS and ELV) identified and resolved through the NASA Flight Planning Board, chaired by the OSF DAA for Space Access
- Effective October 1998 NASA consolidated responsibility for technical management and acquisition of ELV's for all NASA missions at the Kennedy Space Center (KSC)
- KSC is the Lead Center for the Payload Carriers Program with supporting elements at Marshall Space Flight Center, Goddard Space Flight Center, and the Johnson Space Center

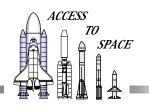
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### ELV & Payload Carriers Program Organization





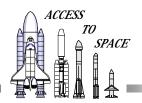




# Launch Considerations for Explorers Program



### **Explorers Program**



### **University-class Explorers (UNEX)**

Space Science investigations characterized by definition, development, launch service, and mission operations and data analysis costs not to exceed \$15.0M (real year dollars) total cost to NASA.
 UNEX missions may be launched by a variety of low cost methods.

### **Small Explorers (SMEX)**

Space Science investigations characterized by definition, development, launch service, and mission operations and data analysis costs not to exceed \$75 million total cost to NASA. Estimated full launch service cost: \$26M - \$51M for a September 2004 launch\*.

### **Medium-class Explorers (MIDEX)**

Space Science investigations characterized by definition, development, launch service, and mission operations and data analysis costs not to exceed \$150 million total cost to NASA. Estimated full launch service cost: \$65M - \$86M for a March 2007 launch\*.

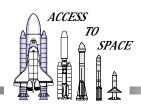
#### **Missions of Opportunity**

Investigations characterized by being part of a non-NASA space mission of any size and having a
total NASA cost of <u>under \$35 million</u>. These missions are conducted on a no-exchange-of-funds
basis with the organization sponsoring the mission. NASA intends to solicit proposals for Missions
of Opportunity with each Announcement of Opportunity (AO) issued for UNEX, SMEX, and MIDEX
investigations.

\*Note: Launch service cost ranges taken from respective Explorer program on-line AO libraries.

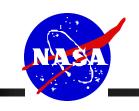


## Contributed Launch Services

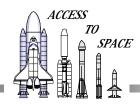


### Contributed Launch

- The PI maintains responsibility to find an organization, other than NASA, that will contribute a launch.
- Demonstrated reliability and resultant probability of mission success will be evaluated for all NASA provided and contributed launch services per NPD 8610.7, Launch Services Risk Mitigation Policy for NASA-Owned or NASA-Sponsored Payloads.

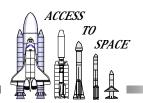


### NASA Provided Launch Services



- Space Transportation System (STS)
  - NASA's Space Shuttle program. A payload can make use of the available cargo space on a Space Shuttle mission as a secondary payload as authorized by the Agency.
- Expendable Launch Vehicle (ELV) Launch Services
  - NASA provides commercial ELV launch services, whenever possible, for its scientific and application free-flyer missions. Launch services are provided for both dedicated and secondary flight opportunities.
    - Secondary payload customer responsible for recurring, integration costs and OSF responsible for non-recurring, developmental costs for secondary payloads adaptors.
    - Dedicated payload customers responsible for basic launch cost and any associated mission-unique non-recurring costs.

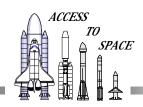




# Shuttle Launch Opportunities Secondary Payloads



## Shuttle Launch Opportunities



- NASA Headquarters currently assessing the Space Shuttle use and prioritization process.
  - Transition to full cost will include customer assuming responsibility for funding STS integration costs.
- Current Shuttle flight rate constrained to 4/year
  - Bulk of Shuttle missions support ISS assembly
  - Backlog of existing secondary payload flight opportunities under review
- Competition for existing resources (lockers, mass, volume)
  - ISS mission elements (cargo elements, logistics, ORUs, payloads)
  - Shuttle secondary payloads backlog (mid-deck and cargo bay)
  - Commercial payloads, international partners, etc.
- Anticipate limited flight opportunities during ISS assembly phase
  - Currently not accepting new requests for Shuttle secondary opportunities pending review of existing backlog.

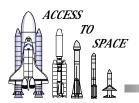




# ELV Launch Opportunities Dedicated and Secondary Payloads



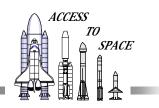
### **ELV Launch Services**



- NASA is required to acquire ELV launch services from U.S. commercial providers per current policy and law.
  - Commercial Space Act of 1998
    - Sect. 201, Requirement to procure commercial space transportation services.
    - Sect. 202, Acquisition of commercial space transportation services.
  - National Space Policy of 1996
    - U.S. Government agencies shall purchase commercially available space goods and services to the fullest extent feasible...
- ELV launch services for the NASA Explorers Program missions are primarily available through the NLS contract, and current and planned on-ramps.



### **SELVS-KSC Contract**

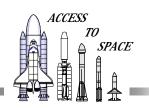


- NASA Small ELV Services (SELVS-KSC) Contract
- SELVS-KSC Contract Award Date: October 1998
- Launch Service Providers
  - Orbital Science Corporation: Pegasus and Taurus
    - Pegasus on Contract: HESSI, GALEX, SCISAT, SOURCE, DART
    - Up to 11 launches and/or \$400M contract value for launches ordered through October 2003.
  - Coleman Research Corporation: LK-0
    - No launches on contract.
- Current End of Ordering Period: October 2003
- Assuring Future Space Access
  - Evaluating block buy opportunities to assure space access through 2007 under current SELVS contract.





### **NLS Contract**



- NASA Launch Services (NLS) Contract
- NLS Contract Award Date: June 2000
- Launch Service Providers (Medium through Heavy-lift)
  - Boeing Delta Launch Services: Delta II, Delta III, Delta IV
    - Delta II firm missions on Contract: AURA, Deep Impact, Messenger
    - Options on Contract: MER B, SWIFT, and 3 available
  - Lockheed Martin: Atlas III, Atlas V
    - No missions on contract.
    - LMA withdrew offer for Athena services offered during August 2000 on-ramp.
- Up to 60 launch options possible under the indefinite delivery indefinite quantity portion of the contract
- Assuring Future Space Access
  - Evaluating block buy opportunities to assure space access on Delta II through 2007/2008.





### NASA Small and Medium Class Launch Services

	PERFORMANCE, KGS (LBS)				
LAUNCH VEHICLE	LEO 200 km, i=28.5°	GTO 36,000 km, i=28.5° Per apogee altitude	POLAR 705 km, Sun Sync	PLANETARY C <sub>3</sub> =0/10 km <sup>2</sup> /sec <sup>2</sup> (kgs only)	
Pegasus XL	440 (970)	*	210 (462)	*	
<u>Taurus</u> 2110 2210 2130 2230	1370 (3020) 1150 (2535) * *	* * *	755 (1664) 600 (1322) * *	* 295 / 225 245 / 185	
2320-9.5 2320-10 2326-9.5	2780 (6128) 2675 (5897) *	* * 920 (2028)	1715 (3780) 1645 (3626) *	* * 625 / 490	
2420-9.5 2420-10 2426-9.5 2920-9.5 2920-10 2925-9.5	3185 (7021) 3100 (6834) * 5080 (11,199) 4900 (10,802)	* 1130 (2491) * * 1835 (4045)	2065 (4552) 1900 (4387) * 3270 (7208) 3170 (6988) *	* * 810 / 650 * * 1290 / 1050	
2920H-9.5 2925H-9.5	6095 (13,436) *	* 2170 (4783)	*	* 1525 / 1235	

Performance data source: NASA KSC ELV Flight Design Group (http://elvperf.ksc.nasa.gov/)



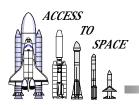
## How to Obtain NASA Provided ELV Launch Services for Dedicated Missions



- Payload Enterprise AO
  - Proposals sought to meet scientific objectives of the Agency
  - AO provides guidelines for spacecraft and launch vehicle
- Payload Enterprise makes mission selection
- Payload Enterprise brings the new requirement to the Flight Planning Board
- The new requirement is approved by the Flight Planning Board
  - Mission Requirement
  - Launch Date
  - Launch Service Provider Assignment
- OSF provides direction to KSC to procure the launch service
- KSC acquires and manages the launch service



### Secondary ELV Payload Options



- Customer required to fund recurring integration costs within mission cost cap
- OSF plans to fund non-recurring development of adapters to enable secondary opportunities on Delta IV and Atlas V
- Nominal ordering period is 18 to 24 months depending on mission
  - Flight opportunities are uncertain at this time
- Secondary Payload (SP) Requirements
  - SP shall present no hazard (ordnance, radiation, contamination, etc) to the primary payload
  - Acceptance of the SP is subject to approval of the primary payload program manager
  - Primary payload orbit requirements and launch date shall not be affected by SPs
  - Approval of SPs will be considered only if sufficient performance margin exists for the primary mission. Approval could be withdrawn if the margin is unexpectedly reduced.



# Launch Capability for Secondary ELV Payloads

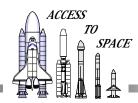
Existing Capability



		Existing Capability		
	Pegasus	Taurus	Delta II Secondary	Delta IV/Atlas V Secondary
Mass	DPAF     192 kgs (425 lbs)     3-point Load Bearing HW     Based upon primary     spacecraft and remaining     launch vehicle performance.	•DPAF Based upon available excess performance. •APC – Aft P/L Capsule Based upon available excess performance.	•Typically 20 – 50 kgs (44 - 110 lbs), depending upon location of c.g. •P/Ls > 50 kgs evaluated on a case-by-case basis.	Up to 200 kgs (440 lbs) (TBD)
Volume	<ul> <li>DPAF Configuration 66cm (D) x 55cm (L) (26" (D) x 22" (L))</li> <li>3-Point Load Bearing HW Based upon dimensions of the primary spacecraft.</li> </ul>	•DPAF 121cm (D) x 215cm (L) (48" (D) x 85" (L)) •APC 101cm (D) x 182cm (L) (40" (D) x 72" (L))	A variety of sizes and shapes accommodated; one dimension must be less than 31 cm (12 in) for separating payloads, and 38 cm (15 in) for non-separating.	76-cm cube (30" cube) (TBD)
Estimated Launch Service Cost	•With NASA Primary - \$3M •With commercial - \$11M •Additional HW Cost - \$350K	NTE \$20M**	Capability available under NLS. \$2-3M.	TBD
Notes	•No secondary opportunities identified at this time.	**NASA has flown two secondary missions to date on commercial primary launches. ACRIM – 120 kg QuikTOMS – 375 kg	<ul> <li>Payloads are mounted at the Guidance section on the 2<sup>nd</sup> stage.</li> <li>No opportunities identified at this time.</li> </ul>	•NASA Atlas V and Delta IV secondary payload capability is under consideration.



### NASA Secondary Payloads



Mission	Mass	Date	Vehicle	Туре
Flown To Date				
DUVE	102 kg	07/92	Delta II	2 Non Separating
SEDS-1	45 kg	03/93	Delta II	Tether
PMG	55 kg	06/93	Delta II	Tether + Diagnostics
SEDS-2	50 kg	03/94	Delta II	Tether
SURFSAT	35 kg	11/95	Delta II	2 Non Separating
SEDSAT	40 kg	10/98	Delta II	Separating
Orsted	61 kg	02/99	Delta II	Separating
Sunsat	63 kg	02/99	Delta II	Separating
ACRIM	120 kg	10/99	Taurus	DPAF
Munin	7.5 kg	11/00	Delta II	Non Separating
QuikTOMS	375 kg	09/01	Taurus	APC
StarShine 3	91 kg	09/01	Athena I	Separating
To Be Flown				
ProSEDS	105 kg	07/02	Delta II	Tether
CHIPSat	85kg	12/02	Delta II	Separating
ST-5	70kg	06/04	TBD	Separating

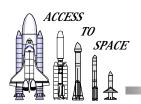


## How to Obtain NASA Provided ELV Launch Services for Secondary Payloads

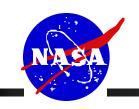


- Contact the KSC ELV Program Office, Darrell Foster (321) 476-3622 (http://elvperf.ksc.nasa.gov/contracts/secondary\_payloads1.htm)
- Fill out Secondary Payload Questionnaire
- KSC provides OSF assessment of potential mission matches
  - Orbital and physical requirements
  - Launch schedules
  - Funding requirements
- OSF facilitates identification of an Enterprise sponsor:
  - Space Flight
  - Aerospace Technology
  - Earth Science
  - Space Science
  - Biological and Physical Research
- Funding source identified
- Compatible missions approved at the Flight Planning Board

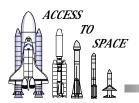




### Meeting Future Space Access Requirements

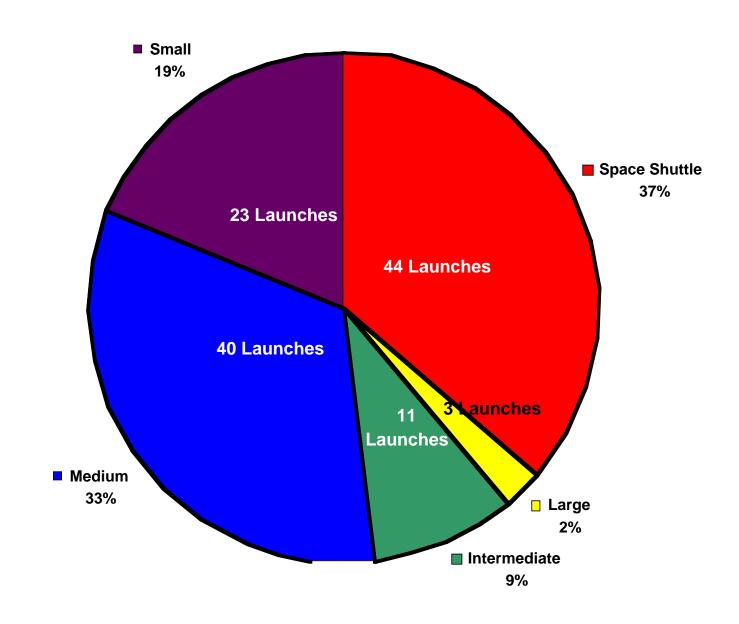


### **Market Trends**



- The commercial and military launch service market trend is toward larger spacecraft requiring heavier lift capability.
- NASA is dominant user of small (Pegasus) and medium class (Delta II) performance range.
- Minimal launch industry interest in the secondary and/or dual-manifest payload opportunities.
- DoD Space Test Program (STP) and NASA share desire for reliable, low cost launch services for small-class payloads, science instruments, and technology demonstrations.

## NASA 10 Year Aggregate Launch Requirements Forecast Total ~ 121 Launches 2002-2011





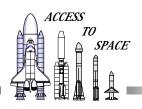
### Meeting Future Payload Space Access Requirements



- In light of the current market trends, NASA science customers need to be assured of future space access capabilities for their small- and medium-class payload missions.
- OSF/KSC working to assure continued access to meet requirements.
- Other options for consideration on a case-by-case basis:
  - USAF Orbital Suborbital Program (OSP) Space Launch Vehicle (Minotaur)
  - Multiple manifest on Delta II
  - Available secondary payload volume on US launchers (Delta II/IV and Atlas III/V)



### USAF OSP Space Launch Vehicle



- USAF Orbital Sub-orbital Program (OSP)
- USAF OSP-II Contract Target Award Date: September 2002
  - Provide low cost, reliable space launch capability in support of U.S. government small-satellite launch requirements.
  - Contract Period of Performance: 10 years
  - Contract Options: Up to 20 missions (based on allotted MM-II's and Peacekeepers)
  - Small Launch Vehicle, Independent Verification & Validation, Range
     Support, Shipping, Program Management, Mission Integration & Design
  - Commercial Spaceports WTR and ETR (minor infrastructure modifications required to support ETR launch requests)
  - Secretary of Defense approval authority for any orbital launch service.
- Estimate an 18-month mission integration cycle
- Estimated Cost of Launch Services: ~ \$18 20M



### **Dual Ride Options**



- Pegasus-XL, Taurus, and Delta II vehicles available
- Dual Payload Attach Fittings (DPAF) also available to fly secondary payloads
- Ordering period is 18 to 30 months depending on contract
- Mass capability
  - Approximately 150 kg (330 lbs) to 1360 kg (3000 lbs)
- Volume capability
  - Approximately 26" (D) x 22" (L) to 95" (D) x "70 (L) (66cm (D) x 55cm (L) to 241cm (D) x 177cm (L))



- NASA Secondary Payload Study
  - NASA Atlas V and/or Delta IV Secondary Payload Capability under consideration
  - Purpose: To assure long term capability for secondary payloads on future DoD, commercial, and NASA missions
- Awaiting industry identification of future flight opportunities.



### Summary



- STS Secondary Launch Opportunities
  - Limited opportunities due to 4/year constraint.
  - For manifested secondary payloads, customer will be responsible for funding STS integration costs.
  - Future opportunities are under review
- ELV Launch Services
  - NASA provided ELV launch service options for Explorer missions primarily available through NLS, and current and planned on-ramp provisions.
  - OSF responsible for secondary payload non-recurring, developmental costs, and science customer responsible for recurring, integration costs.
- OSF continues to seek to meet NASA science customers' access to space requirements despite changing market conditions.